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Protesters jeer neo-Nazi marchers in Dresden.

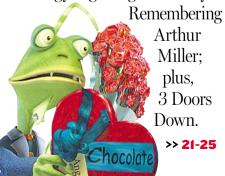
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ENTERTAINMENT

Lost Cause? TV animation is ready for a breakthrough, but technology is getting in the way.



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WRECKAGE: A rainbow is amid over the rubble of the 32-story Windsor building in Madrid, Spain, on Sunday, following the city's worst blaze in recent history. The fire started Saturday night and raged for nearly 24 hours, generating thick smoke and 1,472-degree heat. Seven people were injured.

Coalition Of Shiites Wins Big

'New birth' as Iraq election puts persecuted into power

BAGHDAD | Clergy-backed Shiites and independence-minded Kurds swept to victory in Iraq's landmark elections, propelling to power the groups that suffered most under Saddam Hussein and forcing Sunni Arabs to the margins for the first time in modern history, according to final results released Sunday.

But the Shiites' 48 percent of the vote is far short of the two-thirds majority needed to control the 275-member National Assembly.

The results threw immediate focus on Iraqi leaders' backdoor dealmaking to create a new coalition government — possibly in an alliance with the Kurds — and on efforts to lure Sunnis into the fold and away from a bloody insurgency.



Ayar

Interim Prime Minister Ayad Allawi, the secular Shiite chosen by the United States to lead Iraq for the last eight turbulent months, fared poorly. His ticket finished a distant third behind the religious Shiites and Kurds.

"This is a new birth for Iraq," election commission spokesman Farid Ayar said, announcing results of the Jan. 30 polling.

The election results highlighted the sharp differences among Iraq's ethnic, religious and cultural groups — many of whom fear domination not just by the Shiites, estimated at 60 percent of the population, but also by the Kurds, the most pro-American group, with about 15 percent. ROBERT H. REID (AP)

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ARRESTS | Finders' Keepers A robbery suspect in Euless, Texas, was caught when he showed up at the police station to pick up his lost wallet, which police had found at the crime scene. Joseph Fahnbulleh, 22, allegedly pepper-sprayed

a convenience store clerk and stole about \$200, but left his wallet on the counter. A detective called and told him his wallet had been turned in to the station's lost-and-found; when Fahnbulleh showed up, he was jailed. (AP) EyeOpeners | Page 2

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AUDITIONS

Your Next Challenge: Not Endanger Kids

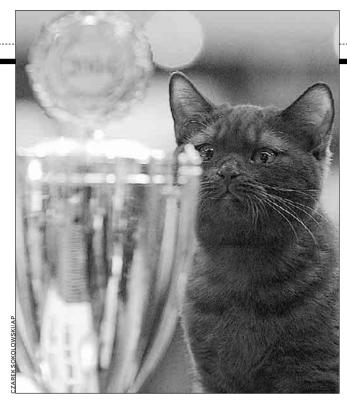
A Forward, Pa., school bus driver hoped a wild ride would earn her a spot on the TV reality show "Survivor," but instead her employer voted her off the proverbial island, so to speak. Maureen Monaghan, 46, asked her high-schooler riders to go crazy so she could film it for the audition tape last month, and they obliged, leaping over seats, staging fights and hurling textbooks, cans and iced tea cartons - some full - as she drove down the highway, the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review reported. The bus company had its own surveillance cameras running, though and gave the tape to police. Now Monaghan has been charged with reckless endangerment and fired. (EXPRESS)

GLITCHES

Fuel and His Money Are Soon Parted

Selling gas at 19 cents per gallon brought in a lot of business for George Riley's gas station in Overland Park, Kan., earlier this month. Not that he planned it - Riley lost \$2,000 after a Feb. 5 computer glitch lowered gas prices at his Phillips 66 station from \$1.83 per gallon to just 19 cents. Word spread fast via radio call-in shows and CB radio. Riley corrected the mistake the next day when a television reporter called to ask about the cheap gas. But by then, Riley said,

customers had pumped 1,200 gallons. He plans to take advantage of the publicity by offering gas for 66 cents a gallon for one unannounced hour a week. (AP)



COMPETITION

Eyes on The Prize

He likes chicken, he likes liver, but, when it's all on the line, can be deliver? A participant at the International **Exhibition of Pedigree Cats purebred** cat show in Warsaw eyed one of the trophies up for grabs before the competition on Sunday. About 400 cats of various breeds were exhibited at the two-day show, hosted by the Polish Pedigree Cat Association and held over the weekend. A highlight of the event was a special showing of Norwegian Forest and Russian Blue cats. (AP)

CONSCIENCE

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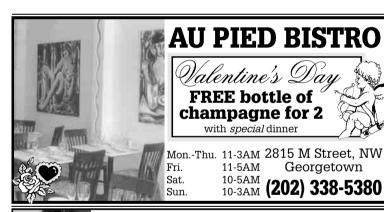
A high school graduate in Gypsum, Colo., confessed to cheating on a literature test — 47 years ago. Eagle Valley High School Principal Mark Strakbein said he received a letter from a 65-yearold admitting she stole the answers to the test in 1957. She hoped the letter

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"I've got guys with stuff coming out of their ears and you think, 'Man, they're probably listening to an iPod,' and I think they're security."

-Tom Ridge, on how life has changed since leaving his post as homeland security chief

Nation



Police leave a mall in Kingston, N.Y., after an attack by a gunman on Sunday.

Gunman **Opens Fire** At N.Y. Mall

KINGSTON, N.Y. | A lone gunman opened fire with an assault rifle inside a crowded mall in upstate New York, wounding one person before running out of ammunition and being subdued by employees, authorities said.

The gunman began shooting inside the Hudson Valley Mall shortly after 3 p.m. Sunday in Kingston, nearly 90 miles north of New York City.

The 24-year-old gunman went into a Best Buy store and started firing. When he ran out of ammunition, he was captured by mall employees, police said.

Police did not identify the suspect or the type of gun he used.

An Army recruiter was shot in the leg but was not the target of the attack, said Lt. Col. Paul Fanning, a National Guard spokesman. MICHAEL HILL (AP)

Social Security Plan Sparks Debate

Lawmakers concerned about how to approach public with overhaul

WASHINGTON | Although he considers it "morally wrong" to put off dealing with Social Security, Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist said Sunday he agrees with fellow Republicans that changes in the venerable domestic program can't be forced upon an unwilling American public.

"What we need to do is really demonstrate the reality of the problem," said Frist, R-Tenn., on "Fox News Sunday."

Whether the solvency of Social





Durbin

Security in the decades ahead presents an imminent danger today and whether President Bush's call for private accounts is key to the solution — divided lawmakers appearing on Sunday talk shows.

The president's plan is not receiving rave reviews by anyone," said Sen. Richard Durbin, D-Ill., on CBS' "Face the Nation."

"Seniors as well as politicians on Capitol Hill in both parties have a lot of skepticism," Durbin added.

On NBC's "Meet the Press," Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, said Bush is trying to define the problem. "He's going to force the people of this country to concentrate on it," Grassley said.

Bush has proposed allowing workers under 55 to divert a significant portion of their payroll taxes into personal investments in stocks and bonds. Making up the difference, however, could cost \$1.5 trillion to \$2 trillion. Bush has not detailed how the transition costs would be funded. SIOBHAN MCDONOUGH (AP)

→ A political give-and-take to form a coalition is expected now that election results show no Iraqi group won the votes needed to form a new government on its own, lawmakers said Sunday. "That's really part of that democracy that we're all so happy that they're moving toward," said Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., said on "Fox News Sunday." "They're brand new at this and it really depends on how they reach out," Delaware Sen. Joseph Biden, the top Democrat on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, told Fox. (AP)

DOG SHOWS | PRIMPING



BATHING BEAUTY: Klondike, a 2-year-old Samoyed, gets a bath at the Doggie Day Spa on Sunday in New York City. Klondike is one of the competitors in the Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show, which begins Monday.

Pregnant Woman Kills Ky. Attacker

FORT MITCHELL, KY. | A woman stabbed to death while possibly trying to steal a pregnant woman's fetus had been carrying an ultrasound picture of someone else's twins and was wearing maternity clothing filled with padding.

Police said 26-year-old Sarah Brady, who was nine months pregnant, acted in self-defense Thursday when she killed Katherine Smith.

No charges had been filed Sunday and Commonwealth Attorney Bill Crockett said he hadn't decided whether to present the case to a grand jury.

The attack happened after Smith



Police guard the Fort Mitchell, Ky., home where the alleged attack took place.

called Brady and asked her to come over and pick up a package supposedly delivered to her by mistake.

Brady told police she was attacked with a knife when she went into Smith's first-floor apartment to look at the woman's nursery. Police released details of Brady's statement Saturday. (AP)



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CLEAN SANDS: Legislators in Hawaii are looking to keep cigarette butts off their beaches. Under a proposed bill, smoking would be banned on public beaches, and butts would have to be tossed only into trash bins. Violators could be fined \$250.

Students Flock to Relationships 101

Professors bring study of love, marriage skills into college classrooms

MUNCIE, IND. | Scott Hall wants to spark a discussion, so he asks his students at Ball State University something bound to provoke a reaction: Do women want more out of marriage than men?

It's just the sort of conversation starter that's heard more often in college classrooms these days. Affairs of the heart like love and marriage have gone from being an obsession outside class to the reason for class.

Academics have long been developing the study of "close relationships," forming the International Association for Relationship Research to share data.

In recent years, some professors have moved beyond theory, making the discussion more personal for students by teaching classes on relationship skills.

Some call it Relationships 101 — a concept that has proven popular on campuses across the country.



Students at Ball State University in Muncie, Ind., talk relationships in class.

Leslie Parrot, a professor at Seattle Pacific University, says surveys at her university and others regularly show that relationships are a priority for students.

Lecture topics include "Falling in Love Without Losing Your Mind" and "How to Break Up Without Falling Apart." Parrott says that the latter session regularly draws students who aren't even enrolled in the class. MARTHA IRVINE (AP)

In Brief

PHOENIX

Storms Raise Danger of Flooding, Force Evacuations

A threat of flooding forced residents to evacuate part of one southeastern Arizona community Sunday following the latest in a series of winter storms that have pushed streams out of their banks in the midst of a drought. About 50 people were evacuated from the area as a precaution, said Steve Rutherford, emergency management coordinator for Greenlee County. Heavy rain fell across wide areas of Arizona on Friday and Saturday as the storm arrived from California, where three deaths were blamed on the high wind and drenching rain. (AP)

RALEIGH, N.C.

States Pull Thousands of Gas Masks Lacking Certification

North Carolina and New York are withdrawing from service thousands of Australian-made gas masks bought for police after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks because they do not meet federal standards for protection against nerve gas, anthrax and other toxins. The move came after nearly two years of warnings from the state's labor and health departments that the masks lacked federal certification. If certified, the masks will be redistributed. (AP)



Love talk: Carla Fielders and Linda Perlstein, authors of articles on love in Sunday's Washington Post Magazine, are online at I p.m. | washingtonpost.com/liveonline

Today in

The Washington Post

Delayed Reaction: President Bush's budget proposal outlines a path to reduce the federal deficit, but budgetary landmines may lurk for the next president. | *Page AI*

Cosmic Clues: A distant icy red world in the solar system known as Sedna by scientists may hold secrets to understanding the origins of Earth. | *A Section*

Shelving Worries: The role for a long-standing gift kiosk in the Capitol in the landmark's new visitor's center appears cloudy. | *Metro*

Police: Ore. Man Solicited Women For Suicide Pact

PORTLAND, ORE. | A man who used an Internet chat room to try to set up a mass suicide on Valentine's Day had been trying to persuade women for at least five years to engage in sex acts with him and then kill themselves, a sheriff said Sunday.

Gerald Krein faces charges of solicitation to commit murder, but prosecutors are expected to increase the charge to attempted manslaughter Monday, said Klamath County Sheriff Tim Evinger.

Combing through old chat room records, investigators discovered that Krein had been enticing women across North America to commit suicide as far back as 2000, Evinger said. Krein told investigators he elicited more than two dozen suicide pledges for the Valentine's

Day plot, authorities said.

No deaths had been found that were linked to Krein, the

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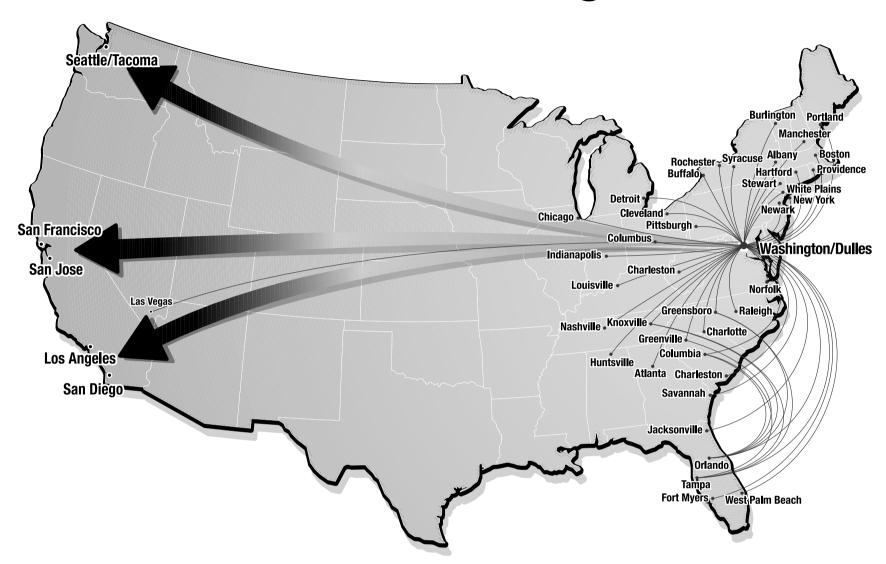
sheriff said. Krein, 26, was arrested Wednesday

at his mother's home in Klamath Falls.

Detectives learned of the plan from a Canadian woman who saw a message in a Yahoo chat room titled "Suicide Ideology." Participants supposedly planned to commit suicide on Valentine's Day while logged on with each other. (AP)

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Nation



SHOT CLOCK: North Dakota lawmakers, concerned by a death linked to "power hour" drinking, are weighing a bill to close bars to those who try to down 21 shots after they turn 21. People would not be able to buy a drink until 8 a.m. on their 21st birthdays, Reuters reported.

How to Win Friends, Influence People

Calif. artist to meet curious callers of cell number in photograph

NEW YORK | A phone message to the nation: Please call 510-872-7326, Marc Horowitz wants to meet you for dinner

Go ahead — dial it. If he doesn't answer, just leave him a message. That's what thousands of people have done after seeing his number scrawled on a dry-erase board in a Crate & Barrel catalog last fall.

Horowitz, a conceptual artist in San Francisco, was working as a photo assistant on a shoot for the catalog when he came up with an idea for an art project that would question social barriers and maybe make the world a little smaller.

The dry-erase board looked too blank, so he decided to write his cell phone number on it — and, if anyone called, maybe take a road trip to meet them.

"It's about illuminating the importance of conversation between strangers," Horowitz, 28, said.

The dinner tour was supposed to be a three-month journey to meet a few dozen people, but now it has ballooned to include thousands of



Marc Horowitz, shown at his San Francisco home, slipped his phone number in a catalog as an art project.

lonely souls. Horowitz left last week and plans to crisscross the country for at least a year.

Horowitz eventually added his e-mail address and Web site to his voicemail greeting. After some publicity, his inbox was jammed with e-mails — dinner invitations, random ramblings and flirtations — from New Hampshire grandmothers to Florida firefighters.

Horowitz sold his truck, bought a mini-RV and held a garage sale to help fund his journey. He has rejected offers to turn his adventure into a TV show. But, he allows, he might write a book. SARA KUGLER (AP)

Knife Undetected At Newark Airport

NEWARK, N.J. | A security screener at Newark Liberty International Airport failed to spot a butcher knife in a passenger's pocketbook and was removed from the post for retraining, officials said.

Katrina Bell, 27, had cleared security and was waiting with her sister to board a flight on Saturday morning when she discovered she was carrying a knife and alerted airport personnel.

Bell had put the knife in her bag "just in case" before going on a blind date that week, her sister, Tikisha Bell Gowens, 30, said in The Sunday Star-Ledger of Newark. (AP)

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World

In Brief

SOUTH KOREA

China Pledges Push to Revive N. Korea Nuclear Discussions

China has pledged to try reviving talks aimed at ending North Korea's nuclear programs following the isolated, Stalinist state's declaration that it has atomic weapons and is boycotting disarmament negotiations. The United States and other countries involved in the six-party talks have urged China to use its influence over North Korea. Beijing is Pyongyang's last major ally and a key supplier of food and energy to the impoverished dictatorship. (AP)

TOGO

President Praises Police for Crushing Opposition Protest

Army-installed President Faure Gnassingbe brushed aside international condemnation of his rule Sunday and praised his police force's actions during riots that left at least three protesters dead, and opposition leaders asked for a day of calm so citizens could attend church. Demonstrators took to the streets after the military had parliament amend the constitution to install Gnassingbe after the last president, Gnassingbe's father, died. (AP)

GERMANY

Annan Calls for Overhaul Of Global Security Systems

U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan appealed Sunday for Europe and the United States to back a major overhaul of global security measures to combat terrorism, keep weapons of mass destruction from spreading and quell regional conflicts. "We must strengthen our collective defenses," Annan told a conference of security officials in Munich, Germany. (AP)

AFGHANISTAN

Flight Recorder Recovered From Deadly Airline Crash

NATO and Afghan troops have retrieved the flight recorder from a crashed Afghan airliner, an Afghan official said, 10 days after the plane smashed into a mountain in a snowstorm, killing all 104 people on board. Defense Ministry spokesman Gen. Mohammed Zaher Azimi said the recorder "is in the hands of the investigating commission. (AP)

Election a Blow to Iraq's Allawi

Despite poor showing at polls, Shiite interim P.M. retains influence

BAGHDAD | Iraq's tough-talking U.S.-backed interim prime minister may have been pummeled at the polls, but Ayad Allawi is likely to still play a key role in the new government.

Allawi, sworn in as interim prime minister last June, led a 233candidate list that ran with promises of improving security in violent Iraq. Two weeks before the Jan. 30 elections, he promised to strengthen the army by the end of this year and beef up other security forces.



Allawi

On Sunday, Allawi, a secular Shiite, saw his list outstripped by a rival Shiite cleric-backed ticket. Allawi's list secured 13.8 percent of the vote, or

1.17 million votes, compared to the 4 million-plus votes, or about 48 percent of the total cast, won by the main Shiite ticket.

A Kurdish alliance held second place, securing 2.175 million votes or 26 percent.

The 60-year-old Allawi still secured a seat in the 275-member National Assembly, however — and more importantly, he is expected to hold a position in the new government.

The Shiites, with their 48 percent share, will be forced to reach out to other groups to form a government, and Allawi is expected to play a key role in the negotiations and end up with an influential place in the new regime. CHRIS TOMLINSON (AP)



CELEBRATION: Kurdish supporters speed through the streets waving Kurdish flags and brandishing portraits of Kurdish leader Massoud Barzani despite a curfew as they cheer their second-place finish in Iraq's landmark national elections.

U.S. Soldier Killed in Fighting

BAGHDAD | A U.S. soldier was killed in fighting north of Baghdad and gunmen assassinated an Iraqi general and two companions in a Shiite neighborhood of the capital Sunday. Election officials said a Shiite alliance won the most votes in the Jan. 30 elections but will have to form a coalition government.

Three other U.S. soldiers were killed when their vehicle rolled into a canal Sunday, the military said. The men from Task Force Danger were on a combat patrol near the town of Balad, 50 miles north of Baghdad, the U.S. command said in a statement.

A fourth Task Force Danger sol-

dier was killed and one was wounded in fighting near Samarra, a flashpoint of the insurgency 60 miles north of Baghdad, the military said.

In the southern Iraqi city of Nasiriyah, an Iraqi translator for Italian troops and his son were shot to death Sunday, a spokesman for Italy's military said.

In violence in the north, insurgents attacked a U.S. convoy and a government building near Mosul, leaving at least four people dead, hospital workers said. Two Iraqi National Guardsmen also were killed while trying to defuse a bomb along Mosul's airport road.

Jamie Tarabay (AP)

WINNERS AND LOSERS

Where election results leave lraq's major political figures:



Al-Yawer

President
Ghazi AlYawer: A Sunni
tribal leader,
Al-Yawer will
have minimal
leverage in the

Interim

assembly. The ticket led bythe U.S.-educated businessman performed poorly, winning less than 2 percent of the vote.

→ Adnan Pachachi: A Sunni elder statesman, Pachachi took only 0.1 percent of the vote, eliminating him from any role in the national assembly.

Pope Delivers First Sunday Address Since Hospital Stay

VATICAN CITY | Returning to the world's most storied pulpit for the first time since his hospitalization, Pope John Paul II addressed a sea of worshippers Sunday from his studio in St. Peter's Square and gave with his presence what no cardinal's words could deliver: a strong assurance that he's on the rebound.



Pope John Paul II appears on Sunday.

An aide delivered most of the message, but at the very end the pope's voice rang out clearly: "Happy Sunday to everybody. Thank you."

The 84-year-old pontiff looked alert as he waved to the crowd with a trembling hand. He gave a brief greeting before Argentine Archbishop Leonardo Sandri read the address. Thousands of pilgrims applauded and some shouted "Viva il Papa!" — or "Long live the pope!"

"We meet again in this place to praise the Lord," the pope said in his message, read by the bishop.

The pope was rushed to a Rome hospital Feb. 1 with breathing difficulties after coming down with the flu. He returned to the Vatican Thursday. VICTOR L. SIMPSON (AP)

World



BLESSED UNION: Britain's newly engaged royal couple, Prince Charles and Camilla Parker Bowles, received the blessing of their local priest during a service Sunday. The pair attended a service by Rev. Christopher Mulholland near the prince's country estate.

Israel Seeks to Curb Extremists

Militant crackdown ordered ahead of first West Bank handover

JERUSALEM | Israel's Cabinet discussed the increasing threats against its leaders by Jewish opponents of a plan to pull out of the Gaza Strip and part of the West Bank, at the same time as it approved freedom for 500 Palestinian prisoners as a step toward defusing four years of violence.

The developments on Sunday showed that just as Israeli-Palestinian fighting winds down in the wake of a truce declared at a summit meeting last Tuesday, internal Israeli tensions are escalating into warnings of political assassinations.

Senior commanders from both sides met late Sunday to coordinate the handover of Jericho, the first of five West Bank towns to be turned over to Palestinian control. Army



Sharon

Radio reported that the handover would take place in about 48 hours.

Sharon instructed Israeli law enforcement agencies to report back

to the Cabinet with steps to "rein in the violent rampage" of extremists who oppose his pullout plan, a statement said. Some of the extremists are working openly, following Cabinet ministers and shouting epithets. MARK LAVIE (AP)

Protests Disrupt Dresden Ceremony

Far-right activists rail against 1945 attacks on Nazi Germany

DRESDEN, GERMANY | Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder warned Germans not to forget their Nazi past Sunday as far-right supporters rallied in Dresden on Sunday to protest a devastating Allied bombing in World War II that killed an estimated 35,000 residents 60 years ago.

Schroeder said the anniversary was an occasion for people everywhere to unite against the "inhumanity of war." But the rally — and fears of street clashes — cast a shadow over a day of remembrance and reflection on the U.S.-British air raids, which set off firestorms and destroyed the centuries-old city center.

The chancellor vowed to fight neo-Nazis attempts to blur the



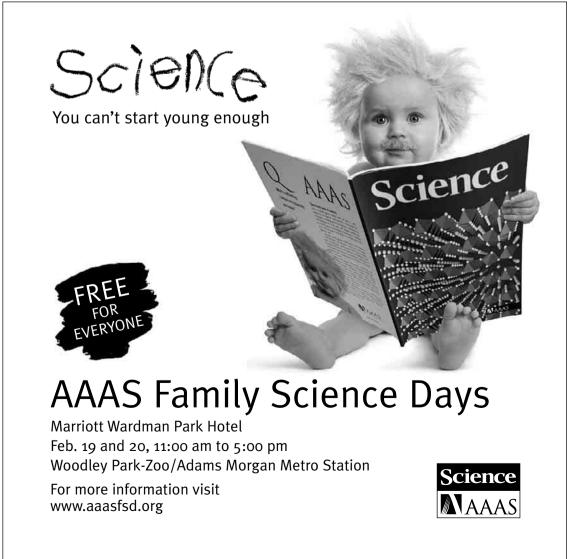
German far-right supporters holding torches march in Dresden on Sunday during a ceremony marking 60 years since a series of Allied air raids devastated the city.

historical context of the Feb. 13-14, 1945, attack — part of a war started by Germany during which Adolf Hitler's regime killed 6 million Jews in the Holocaust.

Some 5,000 far-right activists

later rallied at the Saxony legislature and then marched through the city. At least 4,500 people demonstrated against the far right, and police were out in force to keep the two sides apart. FRANK ELLMERS (AP)





NO MORE MUNCHIES: A new law will soon take effect in Liechtenstein: no cannabis for cows. The tiny alone state is introducing food standards outlawing the use of hemp in cattle feed, part of an effort to increase trade with Switzerland, Agence France Presse reported.



For Saudis, Valentine's **Day Is a Secret Passion**

RIYADH, SAUDI ARABIA | In gift and flower shops across Saudi Arabia, the flush of red has started to fade.

Each year shortly before Feb. 14, the country's religious police mobilize, heading out to hunt for - and confiscate — red roses, red teddy bears and any signs of a heart. In a country where Valentine's Day is banned, ordinary Saudis find they must skirt the law to spoil their sweetheart.

The Valentine's Day holiday celebrating love and lovers is banned in Saudi Arabia, where religious authorities call it a Christian celebration true Muslims should shun.

Sheik Abdullah al-Dakhil, head of the religious police, known as the muttawa, in Thumama, a town outside Rivadh, told Al-Egtisadiah newspaper that, despite warnings, there were 15 infractions for Valentine indiscretions last year.

Shoppers who know where to look can find plenty of Valentine



A Saudi man walks past a store with a rare pink heart in the capital of Riyadh.

gifts, including lingerie or hearts that make kissing sounds and say "I love you" when squeezed.

Shops either deliver the gifts or call recipients a few days early and ask them to pick up their presents to avoid keeping the gifts on display too long and risking a muttawa raid. DONNA ABU-NASR (AP)

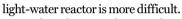
Iran Refuses to Alter Reactor

Officials reject change to nuclear facility, warn against U.S. aggression

TEHRAN, IRAN | Iran rejected a European demand to stop building a heavy-water nuclear reactor that provides a simpler way of extracting weapons-grade fuel, and it warned the United States on Sunday "not to play with fire" by repeatedly threatening Tehran.

Iran has indicated previously it will keep its heavy-water reactor, but Sunday's announcement that it will not replace it with a light-water reactor was the clearest statement yet of its nuclear plans and represented a hardening of its position.

Both plants in question can be used to enrich uranium, a critical part in nuclear programs, but the extraction of weapons-grade material from a



Asefi

Earlier this month, President Bush accused Iran in his State of the Union speech of being "the

world's primary state sponsor of terror" and pursuing nuclear weapons. Although Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice has said a military strike against Iran was "simply not on the agenda at this point," Bush has said his administration would not rule out any option.

On Sunday, Foreign Ministry spokesman Hamid Reza Asefi reiterated previous statements by top officials that Iran would not tolerate any acts of aggression.

"Rice and other U.S. officials are aware of Iran's capabilities," Asefi said at a news briefing. ALI AKBAR DAREINI (AP)

Blair Appeals for Third Term as PM

GATESHEAD, ENGLAND | Prime Minister Tony Blair, whose popularity crashed in the wake of the Iraq war, sought Sunday to reconnect with the British public and appealed to voters for a third term in office.

In a speech to Labour Party loyalists, Blair acknowledged that the war had strained his relationship with the party and the country.

"And now you, the British people, have to sit down and decide whether you want this relationship to continue," Blair said.

The government is widely forecast to win re-election in national

polls expected in May, and most analysts agree there is little chance Blair will not serve another term.

In the latest poll last week, his Labour Party had actually stretched its lead over the main opposition Conservatives to 41 percent versus 32 percent, enough to secure reelection with a strong majority in the House of Commons. (AP)



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NUTS: Suffolk, Va., will honor its favorite son by using the Mr. Peanut logo on vehicle registration decals. It's the first time the town has used the logo on anything officially representing the city since Mr. Peanut was born in Suffolk in 1916 as part of a Planters Peanuts logo contest.



Local

Hybrids Clog HOV Lanes

Exception for clean-air vehicles has officials wary of more delays

SPRINGFIELD, VA. | The sun has not yet crept above the horizon, but already more than two dozen commuters are lined up at a parking lot about 15 miles south of Washington, D.C.

A man in a Toyota Corolla pulls up and rolls down his window. "L'Enfant?" he shouts.

Eventually, a man opens the door and climbs inside. Then another. With three people aboard — enough to legally travel in the high-occupancy vehicle lanes — the car speeds toward Interstate 395 and on to L'Enfant Plaza.

The idea of getting into a car with strangers at designated pick-



A commuter joins a slug line in Springfield Va., so he can travel in an HOV lane.

up points, known as "slugging," is embraced each day by thousands of commuters eager to avoid crawling in traffic.

This unique form of car pooling has been around for nearly 35 years,

but lately, some worry the system is coming under threat from an unlikely source: hybrid vehicles.

While officials acknowledge an ongoing problem with solo drivers who cruise illegally in the HOV

lanes, they say hybrids have become too much of a good thing — thanks to an exemption allowing motorists to travel alone in the cars.

Indeed, a traffic count in the car pool lanes by a task force of Virginia transportation officials found the number of hybrids more than tripled in October, accounting for 18 percent of all HOV traffic. The rapid growth of hybrids has pushed the HOV lanes beyond the recommended capacity, officials said.

The task force is urging leaders not to extend the hybrid exemption when it ends in June 2006. But Del. Michele McQuigg, R-Prince William, does not want to wait. He introduced a bill in this year's General Assembly session that would have prevented the state from issuing any new "clean fuel" license plates this summer. The bill failed to make it out of committee.

"Nobody's going to be moving if we're not careful," said McQuigg.
BRIAN WESTLEY (AP)



Sometimes when exiting Metro train stations we encounter strong gusts of wind. Why does it happen?

That burst of wind is created mostly by the movement of trains into and out of the stations, said Pat Porzillo, chief engineer in Metro's operations department. As a train barrels through the narrow tunnels it creates a piston effect, forcing air out into the station, where it musses commuters' hair. It's actually one of the tools Metro relies on to create needed air circulation in the system, he said. Other factors, such as the weather outside a station and gravity, help create breezy conditions as well, he said. DANNY FREED-MAN (EXPRESS)

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Local

The number of people arrested Saturday night in College Park, Md., as Terrapins fans celebrated Maryland's overtime basketball victory against archrival Duke.

CHINESE NEW YEAR | A MONSTER CELEBRATION



ON PARADE: Thousands of people came to Chinatown in Northwest Washington, D.C., on Sunday to celebrate the Chinese New Year. This year's annual parade and dancing dragons helped kick off the Year of the Rooster.

Homicide Rates Rise in Pr. George's

UPPER MARLBORO, MD. | Prince George's County police officials are "extremely concerned" about the number of homicides in the county so far this year, a spokeswoman for the police chief said.

Two people were killed and three others were seriously wounded after shootings from late Friday to early Saturday. That brought the county's number of slayings this year to 20, authorities said.

On average, there has been a murder about every 50 hours through the first 42 days of this

The 20 murders this year is nine more than for the same period last

year. The county is on pace to surpass last year's 148 slayings.

Over the past five years, violent crime in Prince George's has soared. Homicides have more than doubled, from 71 in 2000 to 148 last year. Not since 1991, when 155 people were slain — the most ever in the county — have the county's detectives investigated so many homicides. (AP)

In Brief

Mother of Capitals' Player Halpern Dies in Tanker Crash

The mother of Washington Capitals forward Jeff Halpern was one of four people killed in a fiery crash with a fuel tanker. Gloria Halpern, 56, of Potomac, Md., was in a car that was crushed when the fuel tanker flipped over Friday night. Records show the Floval Oil driver has received at least 10 traffic citations since 2002. (AP)

WASHINGTON

Police Seek Suspect for Fatal Nightclub Stabbing

Police were looking for a suspect

Sunday accused of fatally stabbing 29-year-old Terrence Brown in the lobby of a municipal building, authorities said. The two men got into a fight about 3 a.m. at Club U inside the Reeves Building at 14th and U streets NW, said Metropolitan Police spokesman Sgt. Joe Gentile. (AP)

SPRINGFIELD, VA.

Hotel Worker Killed After Falling Down Elevator Shaft

A woman was killed at a Springfield hotel after falling down an elevator shaft on Sunday. Fairfax County police say the unidentified woman worked at the Hilton on Loisdale Road. She apparently got stuck in an elevator and fell when she tried to climb out. (AP)

The Lotteries

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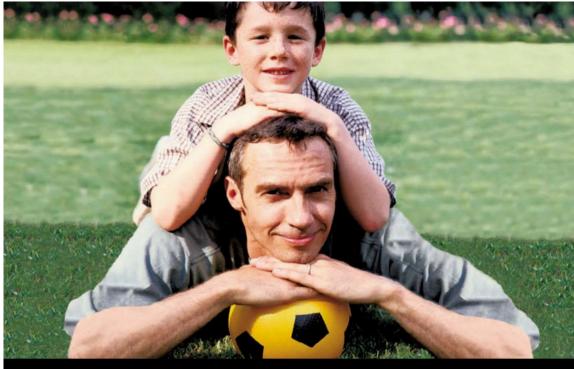
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How a dad in Bethesda helps a young man in Brazil

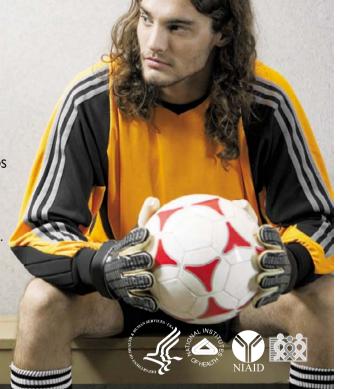
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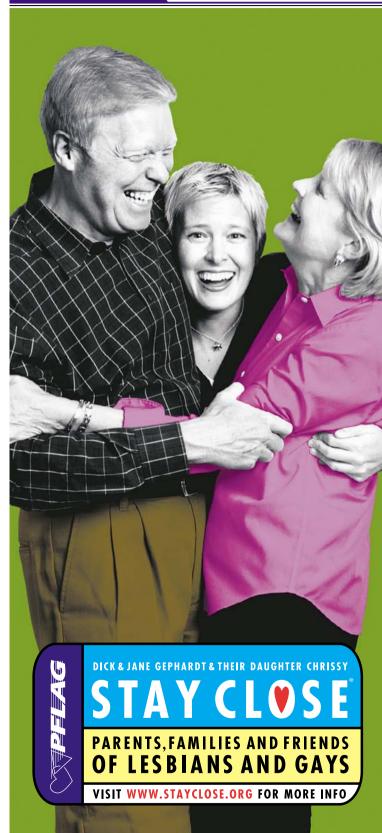
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Personal Tech

Keep on Clicking

Merchants try to stay one click ahead of phony Web ad visits

ADVERTISING | Like thousands of merchants, Tammy Harrison thought she struck gold when hordes visited her Web site by clicking on the Internet ads she purchased from online search engines. It cost her as much as \$20 a click, but the potential new business seemed to justify the expense.

Harrison's delight dimmed, though, when she realized the people clicking on her ads weren't interested in her products. She was a victim of "click fraud," a scam that threatens the online advertising boom enriching Google, Yahoo and their many business partners.

Merchants are billed for fruitless traffic generated by someone repeatedly clicking on an advertiser's Web link with no intention of buying anything. Harrison estimated the mischief cost her \$100,000.

Estimates vary on how much click fraud is going on in the \$3.8 billion search engine advertising market. Some believe it is mostly paranoia, while others say up to 20 percent of clicks are made under false pretenses.



BOGUS BUSINESS: Jessie Stricchiola, president of Alchemist Media, checks a Web site log for signs that someone intentionally ran up the costly clicks.

"Click fraud is like a big elephant standing in the middle of the living room," said Lisa Wehr, president of Oneupweb, a search engine advertising consultant. "Everyone sees it and knows it's there, but no one is quite sure what to do about it."

Both Google and Yahoo say improved internal controls and increased vigilance of advertisers will prevent the problem from escalating. After recently adding a click fraud patrol, Google broke up a scheme that generated several thousand bogus transactions, chief financial officer George Reyes said.

Yahoo also has shored up click fraud protections, said Patrick Giordiani, a manager for its advertising subsidiary, Overture Services. Search engines stand to lose much if advertisers curtail spending.

Harrison said a rival firm repeatedly clicked on her ads. The fraudulent clicks exceeded spending limits Harrison had set, knocking her ads out of the display rotation. The search engines issued refunds.

Some swindlers hire contractors to sit in front of computers and click on targeted links all day. MICHAEL LIEDTKE (AP)

Pulling It Together

New Web tools help workers collaborate on office projects

PRODUCTS | The scenario is familiar to office workers collaborating electronically: E-mails get passed around with differing versions of documents-in-progress attached. Instant messages whizz by. Web sites are cited, then lost.

It's often a jumbled mess, with no central online location for shared data. But new tools aim to make it easy to post and remove stuff from digital bulletin boards, be it on the Internet or a company network.



JotSpot founder Joe Kraus thinks Wikis make ideal central work forums.

Many companies are trying to make the Web less disjointed and more democratized - a more organized forum for gathering and sharing information. JotSpot is betting on Wikis, a Web page that can be edited by anyone. Wikis could be a staging area for information, and JotSpot's new service targets businesses that want to give authorized users a common location in which to collaborate.

Workers can take a spreadsheet, build on it, customize it, integrate data from the Web or e-mails and have all the information reside on one Wiki Web site. Revisions are tracked and archived.

Some companies, such as Five Across and iUpload, aim to use blogs to help businesses streamline their communication. Five Across is introducing "Bubbler," a tool that allows for a single blog, more of a community than one person's mouthpiece. The point is to save e-mail traffic and time. MAY WONG (AP)

PAINFUL RETURN: The L.A. Lakers got star guard Kobe Bryant back on Sunday after an ankle injury sidelined him for 14



games. But that wasn't enough to stop the Cleveland Cavaliers, who topped the Lakers 103-89. Bryant had 26 points.

Sports

In Brief



 $Sophia\,Mickelson\,hugs\,her\,dad\,Sunday.$

GOLE

Lefty Gets It Right Again

Phil Mickelson won for the second straight week by closing with a 1-over 73 to become the first wire-to-wire winner in the 68-year history of the Pebble Beach National Pro-Am. Mickelson won for the 25th time on the PGA Tour. His \$954,000 check pushed him over \$2 million for the year and put him atop the money list. (AP)

BASEBALL

Nats Trade for Escobar

The Washington Nationals acquired outfielder Alex Escobar from the Chicago White Sox on Sunday in exchange for minor league outfielder Jerry Owens. A former top prospect for the New York Mets, the 26-year-old Escobar's career has been slowed by injuries. Owens, 23, was Montreal's second-round selection in the 2003 draft. (AP)

AUTO RACING Jarrett Wins Pole Position

Dale Jarrett and Jimmie Johnson will share the front row for the start of next Sunday's Daytona 500, the NASCAR Nextel Cup's season-opener. Three-time 500 winner Jarrett topped Jeff Gordon's Chevrolet with a lap of 188.312, grabbing his third Daytona 500 pole. Defending Daytona winner Dale Earnhardt Jr. qualified 39th Sunday. (AP)

NHL LOCKOUT

No Progress in Labor Talks

Representatives from the NHL and the players' association met with federal mediators in Washington on Sunday, just hours before a weekend deadline to save the season, but no progress was made. (AP)

UMd. vs. Duke: A One-Sided Rivalry

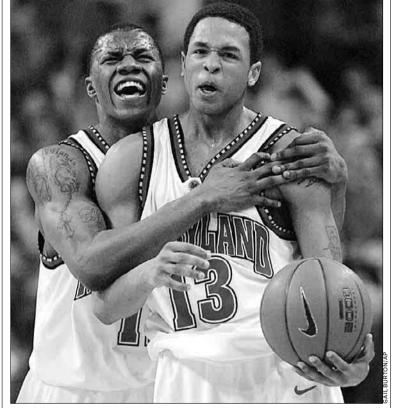
Terrapins once again prove that Blue Devils should fear the turtle

COLLEGE HOOPS | At home and away, and even on a neutral court, the result has been the same: Maryland over Duke.

The latest installment of Duke vs. Maryland was another classic. Down by nine in the second half Saturday night, the Terrapins forced overtime and wore down the depleted Blue Devils in a 99-92 victory on Saturday night.

In the process, Maryland became the first ACC team to earn a regular-season sweep against Duke since 1995-96. In was the Terrapins' third straight win in the series, including an overtime victory in the ACC tournament last March and a 75-66 stunner at Duke on Jan. 26.

Two of seventh-ranked Duke's three losses this season have come against Maryland. Blue Devils fans have a long-standing contempt for North Carolina, but UNC is 1-9 in



WORLD IN THEIR HANDS: Maryland's John Gilchrist, left, and Chris McCray embrace after beating Duke Saturday, which should ensure a bid to the NCAA Tournament.

the last 10 games of that series.

Duke-Maryland is more competitive — and one the Blue Devils no longer can ignore.

"Over the last couple of years, it has been a big rivalry between us," Duke guard Daniel Ewing said. "Both teams have good players, both teams always get up for the game. It's going to be a pretty good rivalry."

At no time during the threeyear history of the Comcast Center has the crowd ever been louder or more intense. After the final buzzer, hundreds of fans swarmed onto the court to celebrate a victory that almost certainly enabled the Terrapins (15-7, 6-5) to earn a 12th straight appearance in the NCAA tournament

"Right now we're where we want to be. We just need to build off of this," Maryland forward Nik Caner-Medley said. DAVID GINSBURG (AP)

In the game: An emotional John Gilchrist overcame struggles to star in the win vs. Duke | Today's Post, Sports

Big Crowd Sees Terps Struggle

New ACC attendance record is set in 60-49 loss to the Blue Devils

WOMEN'S HOOPS | Playing before the largest crowd to watch an Atlantic Coast Conference women's basketball game, the 19thranked Terrapins clanged several dozen shots off the rim Sunday and fell to No. 3 Duke 60-49.

Maryland went 23-for-68 from the field (34 percent) and 1-for-6 at the line, much to the dismay of many of the 17,243 in attendance — and coach Brenda Frese.

"It was a tough shooting night for us, probably the worst game we've had," Frese said. "Duke's a great team, and they took us out of a lot defensively."



Monique Currie scored 14 points in Duke's win over Maryland on Sunday.

Monique Currie (Bullis School) scored 14 points for the Blue Devils (23-2, 9-1) and Shay Doron scored 18 points for the Terrapins (17-6, 6-5), whose average attendance at home before Sunday was 3,336.

The previous record for attendance was 14,500, when No. 1 Maryland hosted No. 2 Virginia at Cole Field House on Feb. 12, 1992. (AP)

Canseco: McGwire Discussed Doping

DOPING | Jose Canseco says he and fellow slugger Mark McGwire were never "buddy buddies" as teammates on the Oakland Athletics, but had at least one thing in common that they talked about regularly: using steroids.

Canseco also admits in an interview with "60 Minutes" that he would never have been a major league-caliber player without using the drugs. "I don't recommend steroids for everyone and I don't recommend growth hormones for everyone," Canseco tells Mike

Wallace. "But for certain individuals, I truly believe, because I've



Canseco

experimented with it for so many years, that it can make an average athlete a super athlete. It can make a super athlete incredible.

Just legendary."

The interview was broadcast Sunday on CBS, one day before the release of Canseco's book, "Juiced: Wild Times, Rampant'Roids, Smash Hits & How Baseball Got Big." (AP)

TODAY'S TV LINEUF

NBA (8 P.M. ON COMCAST) The Washington Wizards should have little trouble with the New Orleans Hornets on Valentine's Day.

COLLEGE HOOPS (7 P.M. ON ESPN) No. 18 Pittsburgh visits No. 8 Syracuse in a marquee match-up in the Big East.

COLLEGE HOOPS (9 P.M. ON ESPN) No. 3 Kansas takes on Bobby Knight's Texas

Tech Red Raiders, ranked No. 25 by the AP.

COLLEGE HOOPS (MIDNIGHT ON ESPN) Air Force faces New Mexico in a battle of Mountain West Conference rivals.

HOCKEY (7 P.M. ON ESPN2) Need a hockey fix without the soon-to-be-canceled NHL? The AHL All-Star game is in Manchester, N.H. **Sports**



AKING CARE OF BUSSINESS: One reason the Wizards are off to their best start in a quarter of a century is because they are beating up on NBA cellar dwellers. The Wizards and Miami Heat are the only teams not to lose to a last-place opponent.

Malone Finally Mails It In

Forward retires as NBA's second-highest scorer

NBA | Karl Malone officially announced his retirement Sunday, saying "you will not see me play again. That is a promise."

After a season with the Los Angeles Lakers, Malone returned to the arena he called home for 18 of his 19 NBA seasons to make the announcement expected since

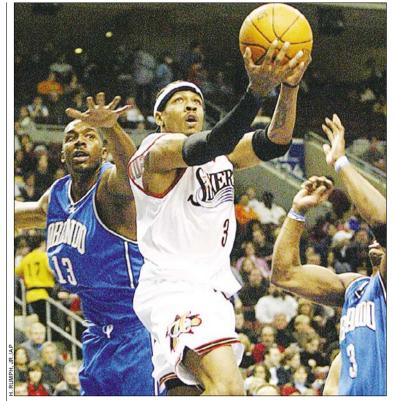
"Even though I left for a year, I grew here as a Jazz man," Malone said. "If I'm fortunate enough to go into the Hall of Fame, I will go as a Jazz man."

The 41-year-old, nicknamed the Mailman, finishes as the second all-time leading scorer in NBA history with 36,928 points, just 1.459 behind Kareem Abdul-Jabbar's record.

Malone, the league's MVP in 1997 and '99, teamed with guard John Stockton for 18 seasons with Utah to form one of the NBA's greatest duos, leading the Jazz to the finals twice but losing to Michael Jordan and the Chicago Bulls each time.

He left the Jazz for a shot at a championship with the Lakers, though they lost in five games to the Detroit Pistons in last season's NBA Finals.

Malone missed 39 games last regular season after injuring his right knee. He then opted out of his \$1.65 million contract following last season, making him a free agent. Malone did not play this season. (AP)



ANSWER MAN: Allen Iverson scored a career-high 60 points to lift the 76ers to a victory over the Orlando Magic. It was the fourth-highest point total in team history.

Wade, Heat Enjoy Rare Win vs. Spurs

NBA | Dwyane Wade scored 13 of his 28 points in the fourth quarter, including a jumper with 25.1 seconds left, and Miami beat San Antonio 96-92 on Sunday for its first win over the Spurs in more than three years.

Wade hit five of his final seven shots, and added six assists and five rebounds to help Miami extend its



Heat guard Dwayne Wade led Miami with 28 points in Sunday's 96-92 win.

winning streak to six games.

Shaquille O'Neal added 27 points and seven rebounds for Miami. Eddie Jones chipped in with 12 points even though he played much of the game with a broken left index finger.

Manu Ginobili had 24 points for San Antonio, which shot 39.2 percent from the field compared to Miami's 52.2 percent. Tony Parker added 22 points. TIM REYNOLDS AP)

Iverson Puts Up Huge Numbers for the 76ers

60-point outburst is latest evidence that this is star's 'best year'

NBA | Allen Iverson has an MVP award, a trip to the NBA Finals and nearly enough All-Star appearances to match his tattoos.

The Philadelphia star, though, never had a game like his careerhigh 60-point outburst against Orlando on Saturday night. And Iverson may never have had as much fun playing for the 76ers as he is this year.

"I think it's my best year, by far," Iverson said.

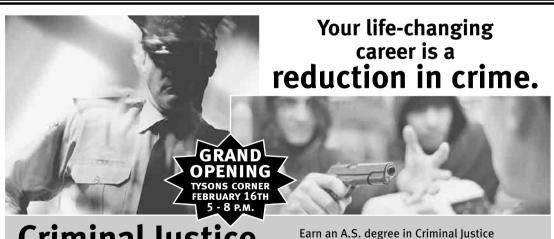
The numbers back him up: He averages an NBA-leading 29.7 points, had 54- and 51-point performances in consecutive games in December, and his scoring outburst against the Magic was the

fourth-highest total in 76ers' history, behind only performances by Wilt Chamberlain.

So much of the former Georgetown star's success has to do with his move from shooting guard to point guard and his healthy relationship with first-year Philly coach Jim O'Brien.

"I think we are witnessing one of the great careers in the NBA, put on by one of the most talented, tough and big-hearted guys that you'll ever see on the basketball court," O'Brien said.

The 76ers remain in the hunt for the Atlantic Division lead and are one game under .500 (25-26) going into Monday's game against New York. "I want to win a championship right now, as crazy as it might seem to some people," Iverson said. "That's just the way I feel right now." DAN GELSTON (AP)



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WHO KNEW? Maybe coaching wasn't the problem for the struggling Minnesota Timberwolves, who fired Flip Saunders on Saturday. In their first game under Kevin McHale, Minnesota lost to the Chicago Bulls 87-83. Reserve Ben Gordon led the way for the Bulls, scoring 21 points and grabbing eight rebounds in Chicago's 24th win of the season. (AP)

Sports

Larkin Retires To Join Nationals

All-star shortstop to work in the front office as a special assistant

NATIONALS | Shortstop Barry Larkin, a 12-time all-star who spent his entire 19-year career with the Cincinnati Reds, has retired and joined the Washington Nationals in their front office as a special assistant.

"I just felt it was time," Larkin said Sunday from his home in Orlando, Fla. "I had some opportunities with other teams to play, but I didn't feel that I could make the commitment as a player with another team."

The Reds, his hometown team, had rejected his overtures to return for a 20th season, deciding to go with younger players.

Larkin, 40, said he had been interested in working in a team's front office and perhaps eventually managing a team and that his new position would allow him to gain necessary experience.

"I just thought that this was a way for me to get some exposure with a front office and do some things that I may possibly want to do in the future," he said.

Larkin's 19-year tenure with the Reds was the longest streak among active players who had been with just one team.

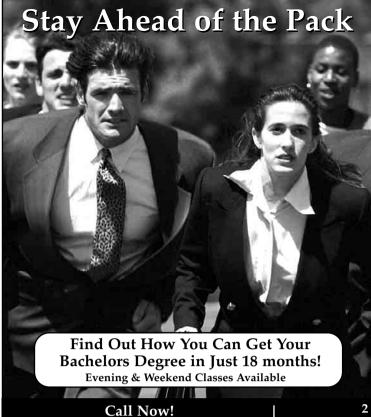
In the Nationals' front office, Larkin is joining Bob Boone, a former Reds' manager, and Jose Rijo, a former pitcher for Cincinnati. Both are special assistants to general manager Jim Bowden.

Bowden was the Reds' general manager from 1992-2003. (AP)

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The Perfect Fit | Boutique Owner



DRESS UP: Lindsay Buscher pulls outfits for a customer in Urban Chic's backroom.

LINDSAY BUSCHER, 27

JOB: Owner of Georgetown boutique Urban Chic (urbanchic-dc.com) SALARY: \$45,000, though small business owners pick their pay, she said, ranging from nothing to everything **EDUCATION**: Bachelor's in political science from Salisbury State University; master's in public administration from University of Baltimore

WHAT SHE DOES: Buscher is the creative force behind the store she opened nearly a year ago, overseeing inventory, layout and more. She heads to New York five or so times a vear to snap up items destined to be next season's hot sellers; she also monitors trends by tracking who's wearing what on TV and in magazines. "We'll put a picture of [Cameron Diaz] wearing Rock & Republics on our front table, and those jeans will sell out in one day," she said.

WOULD YOU WANT HER JOB?

Not if you have a low tolerance for risk. Buscher is still in search of "that

number" — exactly how much stuff to buy without under- or over-stocking the store. Hiring workers who care as much as she does can also be tough. Some have great interviews, then "just kind of mope around and are lazy."

HOW YOU CAN GET HER JOB: Have a great idea, then secure funding and a killer location. Buscher, who's been "obsessed" with fashion since middle school, borrowed start-up money from her father-in-law ("I realize how lucky I am," she said). She worked with a commercial real-estate broker to find a choice spot, with major foot traffic and little competition.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Details on starting a business in the District are available at brc.dc.gov. The D.C. Chamber of Commerce Business Resource Center (brc.dc.gov/gabrc) offers counseling and information on loans. The U.S. Small Business Administration's local office (sba.gov/ dc) offers training, consulting and loan info. danny freedman (express)



LIVE ONLINE

Life at Work

AMY JOYCE chats Tuesdays at 11 a.m. on washingtonpost.com/liveonline.

Are there rules to having an office romance on the job?

It's good to keep your distance while at work. Don't not interact at all, but don't turn your relationship at the office into something that excludes all else.

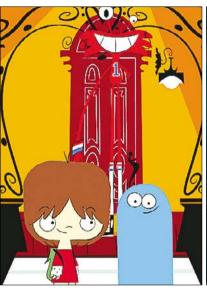
My boss is best friends with one of his employees. Rumor has it that they're dating, but does it even matter when their manner and actions indicate a level of friendship that leaves others out? For instance, he never invites any of his other employees to lunch.

This is a problem whether it's an affair or just a friendship. A boss should never play favorites or exclude others from things that could be seen as networking opportunities or any sort of good facetime with decision makers. Bad management.

HUGS AND KISSES: Audiences showed their love for Will Smith just before Valentine's Day. "Hitch" scored at the box office, giving Sony Pictures a threefer with "Hitch," "Boogeyman" and "Are We There Yet?"



Entertainment





FLAT PLANET: Besides not starring live actors, "Foster's Home" and "Tripping the Rift" have almost nothing in common.

Animated Debate

Original animation will explode on TV, but no one's sure just how

TECHNOLOGY | Animation isn't just for kids. In fact, it's not even just for animation channels.

Sci-Fi Channel is banking a chunk of its future on "cartoon" fare, recently greenlighting the primetime animated shows "Gordian" and "Amazing Screw in Head" and renewing "Tripping the Rift."

Cartoon Network has doubled the amount of original animation

programming on its schedule for two years in a row, adding among others the new computer-generated show "Pet Alien"; Nickelodeon is pitching "Avatar"; and DIC Entertainment is betting on children and adults' "troll love" to carry its new series "Trollz."

Cartoon Network's Jim Samples noted that his channel's "Adult Swim" franchise has become the highest-rated cable show among 18- to 34-year-olds. "We have a whole generation of kids who have grown up with the availability of animation 24/7," he said.

Television animation has become hit-driven but invigorated by content providers willing to take chances on more original ideas than ever.

"People are looking for every which way to be inventive," said Frederator Studios founder Fred Seibert. "Visual style is one of the ways they're proving that."

Computer-generated animation, a distinctive recent advance in film, has yet to make a real splash on television. Cost is a major factor. Each episode of NBC's "Father of the Pride" reportedly cost \$1.6 million and took nine months to make.



TOMMY AND DINKO: Cartoon Network is banking on the CG series "Pet Alien."

There are options to CG and cel animation. Cartoon Network's "Foster's Home for Imaginary Friends," for example, uses relatively inexpensive flash animation.

The difficult economics of producing TV animation are not likely to change, but the pressure to come up with original ideas and unique looks nonetheless might be driving a small-screen renaissance to rival that which has occurred in animated features. Debra Kaufman (The Hollywood Reporter)



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Lyle Lovett joins Guy Clark, John Hiatt and Joe Ely for an outstanding lineup.

Good for the Soul: Lalah Hathaway

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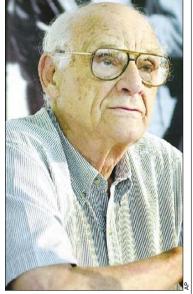
Mary Esselman and Elizabeth Ash Vélez have edited a third anthology of V-Day poetry. "You Drive Me Crazy" is your onestop shop for poems about love at its most tear-your-hair-out-est.

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Arthur Miller authored plays that mercilessly probed America's flaws.

Kind words and a fond farewell for the towering playwright

APPRECIATION | Writers, directors, actors and others in the arts community paid tribute Friday to one of the greatest playwrights of the 20th century.

Arthur Miller, who stoked the American Dream with his unswerving portrayals of human frailties, died Thursday night of congestive heart failure at the age of 89.

Harold Pinter, another playwright renowned for his uncompromising views, called Miller "a great writer, a great playwright and a great man."

Playwright Edward Albee said, "About a year ago, Arthur Miller paid me a great compliment. He said that my plays were necessary. I will go one step further and say that Arthur's plays are essential."

Todd Haimes, artistic director of the Roundabout Theatre Company in New York City, produced Miller's "After the Fall" last year. He said of Miller, "What was unique about him ... is he liked young directors to take a crack at his great plays. As a result, there are a host of plays that are directed by artists who weren't even alive when he wrote 'Death of a Salesman."

Brian Dennehy, who starred as Willy Loman in a Broadway revival of "Death of a Salesman," called the playwright "one of the great triumvirates of the American theater.

Nicholas Hytner, director of Britain's National Theatre, called Miller "the last of the great titans of the American stage" and said British audiences had embraced his work: "America felt rebuked by him. Over here, we relish the ferocity of his arguments with the way things are." (AP)

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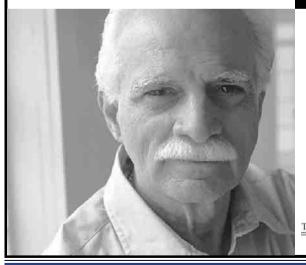
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PAINTED LADY: Emma Forrest gussies up before a reading of her latest novel.

Down With Love, for Now

A British chick-lit diva has no warm feelings for Valentine's Day

LOVE STINKS | Maybe it was the skimpy T-shirt with "DITCH HIM" scrawled across the front. Or the comment that "cats are better than men." It could have been the suggestion that we all would be better off if we didn't spend ourselves into the poorhouse celebrating a fake holiday — British author Emma Forrest is no fan of Valentine's Day.

It's very hip in some circles to trash the sacred holiday of romantics and easy to mock their elaborate, ritualized displays of public affection: the ring in the champagne glass, the "Will you marry me?" flashing across a jumbo sports screen. Done, done, done.

Twice engaged, never married, the 28-year-old is a chick-lit diva with a heart of gold. And it pours out in her third novel, "Cherries in the Snow: A Novel of Lust, Love, Loss, and Lipstick" — an ode to Revlon's so-named lipstick for the ages.

Forrest's main character, Sadie, wraps herself in crude references to

sex and endless musings on what makeup to wear for fabulous openings and parties. But she's really just a sweet kid looking for love.

And what about Forrest?

Apparently, if you are devoting yourself to your craft, the care and feeding of young men is just too much to handle.

Forrest says Valentine's Day is best spent alone, picking out an eclectic mix of movies or books and eating exactly what you want.

"I don't like organized fun. I don't like New Year's, I don't like Valentine's Day ... I don't even like theme parks," she declared. Movies she would rent: "Paper Moon," "Butterfield 8," "Talk to Her" and "The Story of the Weeping Camel" — all about different types of love, she noted. Favorite writer of all time: Truman Capote.

Food she loves: avocados with Marmite, a yeast spread only native Britons can choke down.

And her idol? Elizabeth Taylor. "Liz was the first prominent woman to divorce — and divorce a lot," Forrest swooned. "She represents the triumph of hope over experience." Sheila NORMAN-CULP (AP)

SCARE TACTICS: H.P. Lovecraft did his writing in the 1920s and 30s, but his magisterial horror fiction looms large among today's genre writ-



ers. Now, Library of America has asked Peter Straub to compile 22 of Lovecraft's short stories into a compendium for fans and cultists alike.

Entertainment

Putting Character Into Games

James Caan and Robert Duvall reprise their 'Godfather' roles

OLD FRIENDS | Robert Duvall and James Caan aren't taking themselves or their latest reunion seriously. The old friends leisurely banter while discussing "The Godfather," both the 1972 film and the recently announced video game. Duvall and Caan — who prefer Bobby and Jimmy, respectively — tackle the task with ease.

The pair find anything and everything funny, especially the fact that they're reprising their memorable roles.

"Not to be maudlin about it, but my kids can play with me after I'm gone," said Caan, sitting next to Duvall.

"Do what?" Duvall asked

"They can see me after I'm gone."

"Gone where?"

"With Brando! You know what I mean!'

Before his death last year, Marlon Brando recorded his voice for the Electronic Arts game, which loosely follows the film's plot. In the game, players create unique personas and go at it in shoot-'em-up missions similar to the "Grand Theft Auto"



LIONS: Duvall and Caan yuk it up.

series. They'll also be able to interact with the likes of Caan's mobster Sonny Corleone and Duvall's consigliere Tom Hagen.

"It's like somebody goes out of the room and comes back in, and he's got makeup on that looks like 30 years later," said Duvall.

'But Bobby's looking much older," Caan joked. "I'm looking the same."

"No you're not," Duvall said.

Actually, both appeared as their vouthful characters in clips from the game shown at a premiere party. The finished product hits stores this fall. DERRIK J. LANG (AP)

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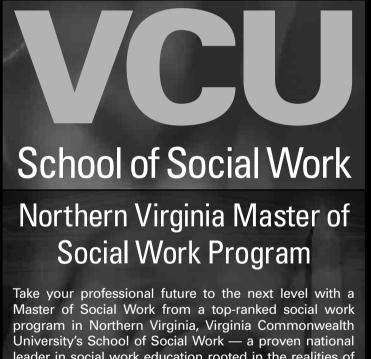
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Entertainment



TWICE THE BAT: Not ones to turn down a perfectly good package deal, the stars of "Batman Begins" have also agreed to provide the voices for the Electronic Arts video game of the same name. Christian Bale, Michael Caine, Liam Neeson and Morgan Freeman, among others, do double duty.

3DD's Music for the Masses

3 Doors Down isn't a critical favorite. but people love them

MUSIC | On "Seventeen Days" (Universal), Mississippi-based 3 Doors Down appears to subscribe to the "if it ain't broke, don't fix it" approach to songwriting. It would be easy to dismiss the band were it not for the phenomenal sales of its first two albums; critically acclaimed or not (and trust me, they are not) somebody is listening.

So what's the key to the band's success? The lyrics are straightforward, deceptively simple and the arrangements melodic.

The song "Landing in London" is a story of a lonely life on the road. But the song can be embraced by anyone who has ever experienced separation: "And all these days I spend away/ I'll make up for this I swear/ I need your love to hold me up/When it's all too much to bear."



JUST FOLKS: The Mississippi quartet writes melodic songs of loss and love.

The hidden gem of the song, though, is a vocal appearance by Bob Seger, whose voice gives the song a richer vocal texture.

In "Right Where I Belong" and "Father's Son," 3 Doors Down tells the story of loss — one of innocence, one of love.

So maybe 3 Doors Down is on to something here — heartfelt songs that touch the hearts of those listening. Since when was that a bad thing? CHELSEA J. CARTER (AP)

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OUT OF SIGHT: It might, y'know, *mean* something that Fox's highly touted but low-rated comedy series "Arrested Development" wraps a month early, meaning the quirky show will sit out May sweeps. We won't know for sure until Fox announces its fall schedule in ... May.



Television

ON TV TONIGHT

EVERYONE'S AN OSBOURNE

VH1 presents "I Married..." showcasing true tales from the spouses of rockers. Tonight's installment, I MARRIED SAMMY HAGAR (6 p.m., VH1), features Kari Hagar, wife of the former Van Halen front man.

OH, THE SMELL OF IT

Celebrate the scent of romance during the **LOVE STINKS** daylong marathon of Pepe Le Pew cartoons (6 a.m., Boomerang).

PLEASE SAY IT'S ALSO THE LAST 7TH HEAVEN (8 p.m., WB) The Camdens break into song on the show's very first musical episode.

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SHOW (8 p.m., USA), Now that we're finished with Super Bowl XXXIX, we can watch Westminster turn CXXIX. Tonight



GOOD BOY: A snuffy-woodles gets a big old kissy-wissy on his snouty-foo.

and tomorrow, Lester Hold and David Frei host the telecast live from New York's Madison Square Garden.

DON'T BLAME THE SNAKE; THAT'S WHAT THEY DO

CIS: MIAMI (10 p.m., CBS) A drug smuggler dies after a boa constricts her. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

The Real Kinsey

PBS looks at the man whose name is synonymous with sex

DOCUMENTARY | Meet Alfred Kinsey in a fascinating profile of this intrepid "sexplorer" who shook up the repressed 1950s and paved the way for the sexual revolution.

Celebrate Valentine's Day with the "American Experience" documentary "Kinsey," airing tonight at 10 p.m. on PBS.

Kinsey began as a little-known biologist at Indiana University — a tweedy academic who introduced a "marriage class" for students



NOW, VOYEUR: Alfred Kinsey asked subjects questions they'd never heard.

whose knowledge of the birds and bees was typically limited. By the mid-1930s, he had become school's resident expert on sex.

Then, in the 1940s, he began compiling exhaustive data from tens of thousands of interviews about the sexual practices of men and women. The results of that research were his explosive, best-selling reports.

Through interviews with his research assistants, his children, people who took his sex questionnaire, his biographers and historians, "Kinsey" assesses his groundbreaking achievements. And it examines how his personal life (and wide-ranging sexual experimentation) shaped his career — and the findings that turned the world upside down. FRAZIER MOORE (AP)

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Collector
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HOTFI



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Rock-climbing gyms reach new heights of popularity across U.S.

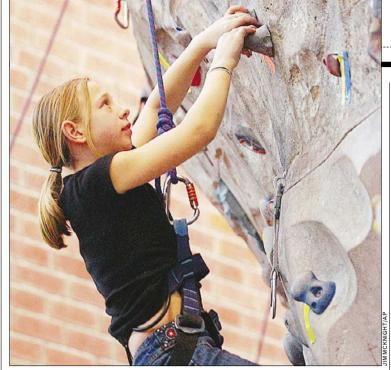
Kept from ski lessons by subzero cold, the children were climbing the walls indoors. But that's allowed at a rock-climbing gym.

The Electric City Rock Gym in Schenectady, N.Y., hosts an afterschool group, fun seekers and climbing enthusiasts keeping in shape for the outdoors. Rock gyms have grown in popularity, from a single gym in 1987, to 300 a decade later, to more than 600 now.

"It was just a climber hangout," said Seattle mountaineer Rich Johnston, who opened the first gym. "It was pretty rough. There were no handholds on the market, so we just glued rocks on the walls."

Now there are several wall-building companies feeding a demand from universities, recreation centers, parks and other operators, Johnston said. An Outdoor Industry

"The industry's at a big crossroads right now because it's an indoor activity and a lot of people are treating it almost as an amusement setting."



- RICH JOHNSTON, MOUNTAINEER CLING ON: Nicole Kosloski heads to a Schenectady, N.Y., gym with a school group.

The Indoors

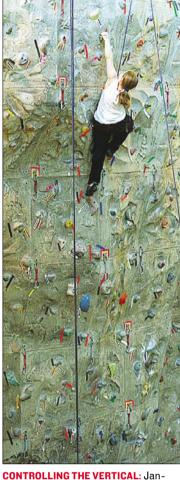
Association survey showed 6.4 million Americans climbed an artificial surface in 2003, up from 6 million in 2000, spokesman Mike Lee said.

The rapid growth isn't all good, Johnston said. Because it's an indoor activity, many treat it "almost as an amusement setting," which is dangerous, he said.

Adelle Ward was startled two years ago at first seeing her 5-yearold daughter atop the wall at Electric City. She said some mothers worry about kids' attention spans when holding safety ropes for each other. But she believes "it's safer than a lot of things they do."

Gyms use belaying ropes, which attach to the harness of a climber, run through a steel loop at the top of the wall and attach at the other end to the person standing at the bottom, who also holds the rope. The equipment has an automatic lock on the belayer's harness so climbers will stay suspended even if the person on the ground isn't paying attention. Johnston said the number of injury claims nationally is "minimal."

Growth in outdoor climbing has been flat the past several years, while the indoor version has taken off as a recreation, fitness pursuit and even competitive sport. The activity has been shown to produce physiological responses similar to cycling and



Nell Mott goes climbing once a week.

treadmill running.

Gym operators say only a fraction of their climbers take their skills outdoors. Andy Gilpin, founder of Electric City Rock Gym, said maybe 15 percent to 20 percent of his clients are climbers training for rock faces. MICHAEL VIRTANEN (AP)

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Lisa de Moraes

Channel Surfing

Post TV columnist LISA DE MORAES was online Friday and talked about the Super Bowl, the model shows and ABC's "Lost." | washingtonpost.com/liveonline

The GoDaddv.com Super Bowl commercial: offensive trash or brilliant political satire?

It could have been brilliant political satire had it not been executed so very, very badly. How bad? As bad as those ads produced by contestants in this week's episode of "The Apprentice." I guess my answer is that I thought the GoDaddy.com ad was extremely incompetent.

Claire on "Lost" is suffering from amnesia? Wow, that's original! And to think that only recently we were bemoaning the lack of creativity and originality coming from overpaid Hollywood TV writers!

Yes, it's the old amnesia crutch that writers pull out when they've run out of ideas, not to be confused with the lesbian kiss crutch, not to be confused with the very-specialepisode-on-date-rape crutch. Is it any wonder there's so much alarm over the number of reality series that are driving scripted shows off of primetime?

What's the status of "American Dreams"? I know it got pulled for sweeps. Is this the end? It would be a shame to see such a quality show canceled, while something like "Fear Factor" lives on.

If "American Dreams" was doing "Fear Factor" numbers it would not be in this situation. NBC has cut back its order and moved it out of Sunday. None of that is good, if you're a fan of the show.

Why has "Project Runway" been so great while "Wickedly Perfect" failed? Casting, structure or something else?

Interesting and fun versus boring and stupid?

Who won the "Sports Illustrated Swimsuit Model Search" contest? Wasn't able to watch the final show. And am I the only person who watched that?

Some chick with large breasts. Does it really matter which one?

→ Today on Live Online

II A.M.: Washington Post staff writers Steve Ginsberg and Richard Morin will discuss the new Washington Post poll detailing Washington-area commuting conditions.

The Duplex | Glenn McCoy



Pearls Before Swine | Stephan Pastis







Letters

V-Day Message: Wuv Stinks

THOSE OF US WHO would rather eat glass than slog through another Valentine's Day; those of us who want to throw stones at those fey, kissy-prissy couples who insist on sharing their tongue-happy wuv with anyone in the immediate vicinity; those bitter few of us who live to secretly sabotage, either through hard statistical data or through well-crafted and convincing lies, any happy relationship we see: We salute you, Express, for poisoning the well with your story in Friday's edition ("Love Stinks") and mak-

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ing this Valentine's Day just another stupid Monday. It's that kind of salty acrimony that keeps the misty, moisty masses from overwhelming us all and stealing February for themselves.

> -ERIN BODISHBAUGH Alexandria, Va.

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Regional Forecast

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People

TRICKS

Borrowing Rvan's Privates?

TOM SIZEMORE was taken into custody in court Thursday in Los Angeles after a probation officer reported that he had failed a drug test, his lawyer saud. Sizemore had been granted permission to work on a

film abroad if he agreed to daily drug tests. When the actor took his Feb. 1 urine test, police say, he was found wearing



a prosthetic, er, man-part, attached to a pair of underwear. The device concealed a plastic container full of clear urine, police said. (EXPRESS)

WEDDINGS

Her Crotchless Bridal Chaps Will Be Diamond-Studded

CHRISTINA AGUILERA is engaged to her boyfriend of two years, music executive Jordan Bratman, spokeswoman Meghan Prophet confirmed Saturday. Bratman, 26,

proposed to the 23year-old Aguilera on Friday while the two were vacationing at an undisclosed location, Prophet said. "No wedding plans have been set yet," she added. (AP)

Why do young, free celebrities gettied down so early in life?





The W(eird) List

Among those who earned the right to be tormented by Star Jones and Kathy Griffin on their way into Sunday's Grammy awards in Los Angeles: JANET RENO, who inspired a forthcoming album about American music by a Grammy nominee you probably haven't heard of: and the ever visually arresting band **SLIPKNOT**, who was nominated for best hard rock performance. (EXPRESS)



You only care about Gwen Stefani? Find out how Little Miss Perfect and others fared at the awards on washingtonpost.com.

ENGLAND

A Classy, Quiet Awards **Show — How Quaint**

A clutch of Hollywood stars including Keanu Reeves, Richard Gere, GOLDIE HAWN and KURT **RUSSELL** — braved the rain and cold to walk up the red carpet for London's British Academy of Film and Television Arts awards on Saturday. "The Aviator" took four prizes includ-



About to pull off her face to reveal the alien within, Goldie sees the cameras.

ing best film, while "Vera Drake" won three, including best director for Mike Leigh. While "Aviator" director Martin Scorsese and star Leonardo DiCaprio went home empty-handed, the film won a best supporting actress award for Cate Blanchett. Imelda Staunton won best actress for her wrenching performance as a 1950s Cockney housewife who performs illegal abortions in "Vera Drake." (AP)

Parents: Pot Saves Lives

CHEECH and **CHONG** may have joked about marijauna in their movies, but they say they didn't touch the stuff when the cameras were rolling. "We tried one time and we wasted so much film," said Tommy Chong of a scene in "Up in Smoke." Chong and Cheech Marin appeared together for the first time in 20 years at the U.S. Comedy Arts Festival in Aspen, Colo. Chong said he isn't ashamed of introducing millions of Vietnamera kids to marijuana. "When you think of how many kids died drinking alcohol, I feel I've saved millions of lives," he said. (AP)





Cheech or Chong

The other one

THREATS

Seditious Danes Must Not Be Fed Dangerous Fashions

MISSY ELLIOTT's street wear collection hit a snag in Denmark - its logo was too similar to that of the coun-

try's queen. Adidas-Salomon AG withdrew the line from Danish stores after the royal court said the logo infringed on



Queen Margrethe II's copyright. Both logos contain a crown and the initial "M." An Adidas spokeswoman said the company was surprised. "The logo merely had the crown to signal that Missy Elliott is the queen of hip-hop," she said. (AP)







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On Feb. 14, the "St. Valentine's Day Massacre" took place in a Chicago garage as seven rivals of Al Capone's gang were gunned down; also, in 1859, Oregon was admitted to the union as the 33rd state.

Hidden Agenda | *Edited by Timothy E. Parker*

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Horoscope

By Stella Wilder

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You'll find yourself getting along much better with rivals and competitors. This is a phase during which you have much in common.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Travel plans may have to change slightly, but you'll discover that last-minute alterations only serve to enhance your enjoyment

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You may have a tendency to be long-winded and otherwise overly indulgent when others give

you the floor. Keep it simple.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) A word to the wise: Practice what you preach. This is not the time to risk your reputation by showing yourself to be a hypocrite.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your sense of humor saves the day - again. Still, some may not long appreciate your eagerness to laugh at the more serious issues.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) This is a good day to keep score and to insist that your closest competitors follow the rules to the letter. The evening brings greater understanding

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) It may prove impossible for you to simulate responses appropriate to the day's events. You'd better count on really feeling it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) A helping hand

will be available when you need it. Don't be so caught up in your efforts that you overlook assistance.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You will be quick to condemn others for those things you, yourself, are guilty of. It may be time to clarify your own perspective.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) What's taken so long? Isn't it time you jumped on the bandwagon? If you have no answers to these questions, it's time to regroup.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Questions of policy and official issues may not be easily avoided. Fortunately, you seem to have an answer for everything.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Take advantage of any and all downtime you have to catch up on personal business that can't afford to wait much longer.

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